

WHAT'S HAPPENING WEDNESDAY

Kansas Immunization Program

October 17, 2018

VFC Consultant On-Call

The Consultant for October 15—19 will be Jayme Lewis (Jayme.Lewis@ks.gov or 785-296-5592).

The Consultant for October 22—26 will be Dena Rueb (Dena.Rueb@ks.gov or 785-296-5592).



CHIEF CHAT

There will be no What's Happening Wednesday next week. Please see the details on page three and look for the next publication on Halloween, October 31, 2018.

Standing orders protocols (SOPs) are known to improve immunization coverage rates, but are underutilized by providers serving adult patients. The content for a new [six-part webinar series](#) will help healthcare settings implement SOPs for adult immunizations.

The Executive Summary, provided by Immunization Action Coalition (IAC) executive director Dr. Deborah Wexler, gives a concise overview of the entire series presented by Drs. William Atkinson and Litjen Tan. The series is developed and provided by IAC, IDCareLive, and Pfizer.

Registration is free, but is required in order to view any session. The link will bring up a short registration form to create a free IDCareLive account, if you don't already have one. After signing up, you will be transferred directly to the intended page.

There is also a new on-line course on vaccine administration from the Centers For Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Proper vaccine administration is critical for ensuring that vaccines are both safe and effective. Vaccine administration

errors happen more often than you might think. Of the average 36,000 reports received annually by the Vaccine Adverse Event Reporting System (VAERS), about 1,500 are directly related to administration error.

Some of the most common vaccine administration errors include:

- Not following the recommended immunization schedule
- Administering improperly stored or expired vaccine and/or diluent
- Administering the wrong vaccine—confusing look-alike or sound-alike vaccines such as DTaP/Tdap or administering products outside age indications.

The [Vaccine Administration e-Learn](#) is a free, interactive, online educational program that serves as a useful introductory course or a great refresher on vaccine administration. The self-paced e-Learn provides comprehensive training, using videos, job aids, and other resources to accommodate a variety of learning styles, and offers a certificate of completion and/or Continuing Education (CE) for those that complete the training.

For more information on content, please contact nipinfo@cdc.gov.



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KSWebIZ

Statutory Mandated Reporting Coming

We want to remind all providers of the statute passed into law last year which requires that any vaccine administered in Kansas must be reported in KSWebIZ by the provider of the vaccine. This requirement is to be fully implemented no later than July 1, 2020.

There are two different ways to meet this requirement. The first is to transmit vaccination information from the clinic's electronic medical record (EMR) to KSWebIZ electronically via an HL7 message. This process involves work with the EMR vendor and KSWebIZ to make the connection and depending upon the EMR vendor agreement with the clinic, there may be a charge for this enhancement. This option allows for single entry by staff into the EMR and the rest of the reporting is done

automatically.

The second option for clinics is to enroll as a direct entry user of KSWebIZ. This means provider staff enter vaccine administration information directly into KSWebIZ through an internet connection but this may also mean double entry into the provider EMR and then into KSWebIZ. For clinic or providers who do only a small number of vaccinations, this may be a more cost effective answer to meeting the statute requirements.

KSWebIZ staff are available to help you assess the option that is best for your practice and to assist you with either connection option. If you are not already connected, we encourage you to contact us soon to begin the process.

Vaccine Information Statement Current Publication Date			
Anthrax	3/21/18	Tdap	2/24/15
Chickenpox	2/12/18	MMRV	2/12/18
DTaP/DT/DTP	8/24/18	Multi-vaccine	11/05/15
Hepatitis A	7/20/16	PCV 13	11/05/15
Hepatitis B	7/20/16	PPSV	4/24/15
Hib	4/2/15	Polio	7/20/16
HPV	12/2/16	Rabies	10/6/09
Influenza (LAIV4)	8/07/15	Rotavirus	2/23/18
Influenza (IIV3 or IIV4)	8/07/15	Shingles	2/12/18
Japan. enceph.	1/24/14	Smallpox	10/01/09
MenACWY	8/24/18	Td	4/11/17
MenB	8/09/16	Typhoid	5/29/12
MMR	2/12/18	Yellow fever	3/30/11



INJECTION OF EDUCATION

As flu clinics are underway, what steps are your clinic and staff members taking to prevent vaccine administration errors? There are so many flu presentations (or brands and types) of vaccine available and each presentation can have a different age recommendation.

The CDC has updated its [Influenza Season Vaccine Label Examples](#) for the 2018-2019 season. Each of these labels list specific ages, dosage amounts, and the route the vaccine should be administered.

There are some vaccine brands that, if using a multi dose vial, are only to be kept for 28 days after opening the vial. After the 28 days, the multi dose vial should be discarded. There are other vaccine brands that can be used through the expiration date. If you stock multi dose vials of flu vaccines, do you know which category the vaccine falls under? You can find specific information for each presentation by looking at the package insert. The Immunization Action Coalition has a webpage, [Food and Drug Administration Package Inserts & FDA Product Approvals](#), where you can find package inserts for all vaccines including flu vaccines.

The CDC has a webpage, [Guidelines for Large-Scale Influenza Vaccination Clinic Planning](#). Even if your flu clinic is not a large-scale vaccination clinic, you will still find some very helpful tips from this webpage, such as ensuring you have adequate staffing and supplies, ideas to help with check in and patient flow, and of course, the very important topic of vaccine transport, storage and handling, and making sure that the cold chain is maintained.

Happy vaccinating!

2018-2019 Influenza Season Vaccine Label Examples

<https://www.cdc.gov/vaccines/hcp/admin/storage/guide/vaccine-storage-labels-flu.pdf>

Food and Drug Administration Package Inserts & FDA Product Approvals

<http://www.immunize.org/fda/>

Guidelines for Large-Scale Influenza Vaccination Clinic Planning

No What's Happening Wednesday Next Week



The Kansas Immunization Program (KIP) will be participating in a CDC Immunization Program site visit with our CDC Project Officer the week of Oct. 22.

This comprehensive site visit will include a full program review and assessment of all aspects of the KIP including the Vaccine For Children (VFC) program, Assessment Feedback Incentive and Exchange (AFIX) activities, adolescent and adult vaccine activities, program evaluation, accountability of vaccines, vaccine distribution processes, vaccine preventable disease surveillance and response, emergency preparedness and KSWebIZ activities. The scope of the site visit will require the attention and time of all KIP staff. We will publish again Oct. 31.



VAX FACTS

FluLaval and Fluarix for Children Under Three Years of Age

The Immunization Action Committee (IAC) has a panel of vaccine experts available to answer a wide range of vaccine related questions. In a recent email list serve summary, they shared answers to a variety of influenza vaccine related questions. This was one of the questions and the responses that we are also hearing frequently.

Q: Please provide details about the use of FluLaval and Fluarix influenza vaccine in children younger than 3 years.

A: On November 18, 2016, the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) approved an extension of the age range of FluLaval Quadrivalent IIV to include children 6 through 35 months of age. FluLaval was previously approved for people 3 years of age and older. The approval of the extended age range for FluLaval was based on a study showing an equivalent ("non-inferior") response compared to children who received the Fluzone pediatric dosage. The vaccine will be supplied in manufacturer-filled

syringes and multi-dose vials. The dosage approved for children 6 through 35 months of age is 0.5 mL—the same dosage as for people 3 years of age and older.

On January 11, 2018, the FDA approved an extension of the age range of Fluarix Quadrivalent IIV to include children 6 through 35 months of age. Fluarix was previously approved for people 3 years of age and older. The approval of the extended age range for Fluarix was based on a study that demonstrated protection from influenza virus infection and reduced influenza-associated complications compared to a non-influenza vaccine. The vaccine is supplied in manufacturer-filled syringes. The dosage approved for children 6 through 35 months of age is 0.5 mL—the same dosage as for people 3 years of age and older.

Fluzone is the only influenza vaccine with a dosage of 0.25 mL for children age 6 through 35 months.

Vaccine Redistribution

Please email any additions or changes to be made on the Vaccine Redistribution lists with subject matter "Redistribution" to kdhe.vaccine@ks.gov or call toll free at 1-877-296-0464 [Vaccine Redistribution information and lists](#).

REMINDERS: Providers may place the excess doses on the KIP Redistribution list if:

1. The vaccine has a minimum of 90 days and a maximum of 365 days before the vaccine's expiration date.
 2. The ordering provider is responsible for any doses which expire on the redistribution list that have not been accepted for transfer to another VFC provider.
 3. Providers accepting vaccine from the redistribution list are responsible for using the doses once they are transferred. KIP encourages providers to accept only doses they can administer before the expiration date.
 4. The transferring and receiving provider will document these doses on their monthly reconciliation reports as transferred vaccines.
 5. Once vaccine is transferred please contact KIP to let us know so we can adjust the redistribution list by either deleting the line or by reducing the amount of doses.
 6. All vaccines must be in full boxes.
 7. The KIP Regional Immunization Consultant who is on call must be contacted prior to transferring vaccine.
 8. Providers are responsible for keeping KIP notified if there is a change in amount of doses available for redistribution.
 9. When placing an order, you may be contacted if the vaccine you are trying to order is on the redistribution list.
 10. Varicella and Proquad will not be posted on the VFC or Private Vaccine Redistribution List. Frozen Varivax vaccines are very intolerant to out of range temperatures. To prevent potential vaccine waste the KIP requests that Varivax containing vaccines not be transferred to other providers.
- For questions regarding transporting vaccine call 877-296-0464 to request assistance.